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SUBJECT: LAW OF THE SEA: ALGERIAN DELEGATION TO MARCH 15 CONFERENCE

1. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED NOTE REQUESTING VISAS FOR FOLLOWING ALGERIAN DIPLOMATS WHO WILL PARTICIPATE IN LAW OF THE SEA CONFERENCE IN NEW YORK MARCH 15 AND PRELIMINARY AFRICAN GROUP MEETING WHICH WILL TAKE PLACE DURING WEEK OF MARCH 8-14. DELEGATION, WHICH MINISTRY SAYS IS ONE THAT "NORMALLY" ATTENDS LOS CONFERENCES, MADE UP OF:

A. MOHAMED MEDJAD, DIRECTOR FOR JURIDICAL AND CONSULAR AFFAIRS.

B. HOCINE MESLOUB, LOS SPECIALIST IN JURIDICAL AND CONSULAR AFFAIRS DIVISION, AND PRESUMABLY NUMBER TWO MAN ON DELEGATION.

C. LAMINE ALLAOUNE, MINISTER PLENIPOTENTARY WHO ATTENDED CARACAS CONFERENCE IN 1974.

D. AMAR DAHMOUCHE, MINISTER PLENIPOTENTARY WHO HAS SERVED IN BOTH WASHINGTON AND NEW YORK IN ADDITION TO ATTENDING CARACAS CONFERENCE.

E. ABDELWAHAB ABADA, COUNSELOR. APART FROM HAVING PARTICIPATED IN 26TH UNGA, ABADA UNKNOWN TO EMBASSY.

2. DURING BRIEF TELEPHONE CONVERSATION, MESLOUB TOLD EMBOFF THAT ALGERIA WAS ONLY COUNTRY BESIDES ALBANIA
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NOT TO PARTICIPATE IN RECENT MEDITERRANEAN CONFERENCE

ON MARITIME POLLUTION, ALTHOUGH MANY OF COUNTRIES
THAT ATTENDED HAD, LIKE ALGERIA, NOT AGREED WITH
ORGANIZATION OF CONFERENCE. UPON FURTHER QUESTIONING,
MESLOUB INDICATED THAT CONFERENCE HAD BEEN ORGANIZED
TOO HASTILY. PARKER

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